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1. EMBASSY MAY, AT ITS DISCRETION, MAKE APPROACH TO SECRET-
ARIAT RE: COORDINATION SAR CONSULTATIONS AS SUGGESTED BY
FORDE IN REF (A). BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT AT THIS STAGE
ANY ACTION ON OUR PART BE LIMITED TO THIS APPROACH. THOUGH
WE ARE PREPARED TO BE COOPERATIVE WITH CCC IN THEIR ATTEMPTS
TO IMPROVE SAR CAPABILITY THROUGHOUT THE REGION, PRESENT
INITIATIVE IS AFTER ALL THEIRS AND WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN
PRE-EMPTING ANY ORGANIZATIONAL ROLE WHICH PROPERLY BELONGS
TO THEM. IN SHORT, PROPOSAL IS THEIR IDEA AND IT WILL -
PROSPER OR FAIL DEPENDING ON THE EXTENT OF THEIR DETERMINAT-
ION PROCEED WITH IT.

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2. BRIDGETOWN FYI: NO OBJECTIONS TO INCLUSION OF ANY WEST

INDIAN ASSOCIATED STATES OR BVI IN CONSULTATION PROCESS, BUT
IF U.S. COAST GUARD VISIT MADE, USCG WOULD PREFER THAT WIAS
REPRESENTATIVE BE PRESENT AT BRIEFING IN ONE OF FOUR INDE-
PENDENT COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES.

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